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Gentlemen/Madam:

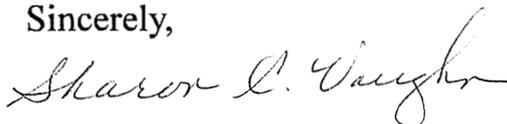
We would like to state our opposition to the rate increase requested by the Water Service Corporation of Kentucky for its Middlesboro customers unless a public meeting can be arranged in our community to learn why an increase is needed. Not many months ago the company was granted an increase which should have provided for their needs since they have no capital projects underway.

The local water company is a minimally staffed organization which has no local person who is authorized to respond to public requests for information or quick response. Despite the fact that any community growth would expand their customer base, they are uninvolved in community efforts.

Without a local public hearing it is impossible to know whether the rate increase is necessary for local operations or it is desired to cover an overhead cost of the parent company. We want to know if the company is expecting local rate payers to pay an outsized portion of company operations and profit requirements.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Sharon C. Vaughn

Robert W. Vaughn

